

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Earl Schultz has been employed by the U.S. Department of Labor as the Director of the South Dakota Veterans' Employment and Training (DVET) program located in the South Dakota Department of Labor office in Aberdeen, South Dakota, for more than 30 years and will retire; and,

Whereas, Earl provided direction and assistance to thousands of South Dakota veterans, ranging from employment opportunities, re-employment rights, to technical assistance on various Department of Labor programs; and,

Whereas, Earl is often referred to as the "Dean of DVETs," because of his seniority and was recently awarded the Veterans' Service Recognition Award from the U.S. Secretary of Labor, Hilda L. Solis; and,

Whereas, Earl served his country in the Marine Corps from 1964 to 1968 with two tours in Vietnam, earning the Purple Heart and Navy Achievement Medal with Combat V for Valor; and,

Whereas, Earl has served the people of this great state well, devoting the majority of his working life to the citizens and veterans of the state of South Dakota through the Department of Labor and will be missed by all who know him; and,

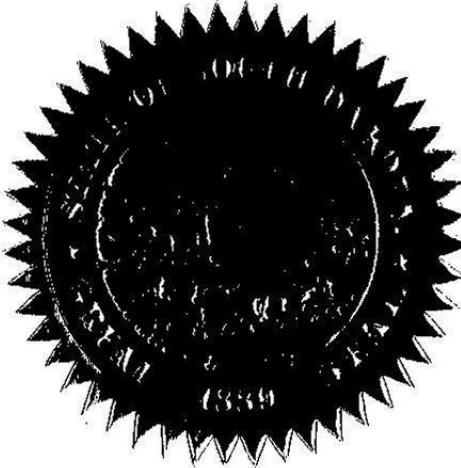
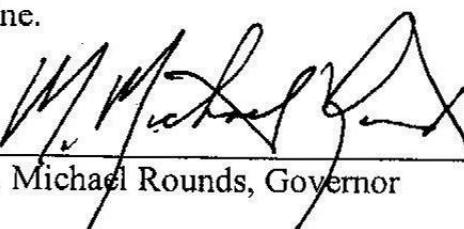
Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan, to honor and congratulate him as he retires:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 30, 2009, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his co-workers, family, and friends in congratulating him on this well-earned retirement and wishing him a long, healthy, peaceful, and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State